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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on Page 4, line 22 and continuing on to Page 5 ending at line 12, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- Preferred oligonucleotides have the following sequences:

Oligo (internal	5'-SEQUENCE-3'	CpG	Thi
designation*)			0
WD1001	TCC ATG ACG TTC CTG ACG TT (SEQ ID NO:1)	+	+
WD1002	TCT CCC AGC GTG CGC CAT (SEQ ID NO:2)	+	+
WD1003	ACC GAT AAC GTT GCC GGT GAC G (SEQ ID NO:3)	+	-
WD1004	G*G*G GTC AAC GTT GAG* G*G*G* G*G (SEQ ID NO:4)	+	Mix
WD1005	TCC ATG AGC TTC CTG AGC TT (SEQ ID NO:5)	-	+
WD1006	TCC ATG ACG TTC CTG ACG TT (SEQ ID NO:6)	+	-
WD1007	ACC GAT GAC GTC GCC GGT GAC GGC ACC ACG	+	+
	TCG TCG TTT TGT CGT TTT GTC GTT (SEQ ID NO:7)	+	+

* alternatively referred to as WD001-WD007

In the above table a + in the Thio column indicates the presence of a thioate modification. 'Mix' indicates a mixture of thioate modification and sequence without thioate modification (the asterisks indicate the linkages with a thioate modification). A - in the Thio column indicates absence of a thioate modification. A + in the CpG column indicates a the presence of a CpG motif and a - in the CpG column indicates absence of a CpG motif. For example WD1005 contains a GpC rather than a CpG motif, thus it is marked with a - in the CpG column of the table. WD1007 contains a palindromic motif (GACGTC) as well as other non-palindromic CpG sequences. This is also within the scope of a CpG oligonucleotide as the term is used in the present application.--